

RECREATION WORKERS conduct leisure activities with groups in public, private, volunteer agencies, or recreation facilities. They organize and promote activities, such as arts and crafts, sports, games, music, dramatics, social recreation, camping, and hobbies, taking into account the needs and interests of individual members. For each group session, Recreation Workers lead the program and lay out materials or equipment needed. They also promote interest and motivate people to participate in creative activities and programs.

Requirements

- ▲ High school diploma or equivalent.
- ▲ Ability to effectively communicate instructions.
- ▲ Interest in helping people.
- ▲ Sensitivity to the needs of others.
- ▲ Ability to work as part of a team.
- ▲ Fingerprint clearance may be required by employer.

Wages

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| ▲ Recreation Workers
Median hourly wage: | \$10.14 |
| ▲ Average annual wage: | \$23,734 |

Source: Occupational Employment Survey of Employers 2006 by EDD/LMID.

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Job Outlook

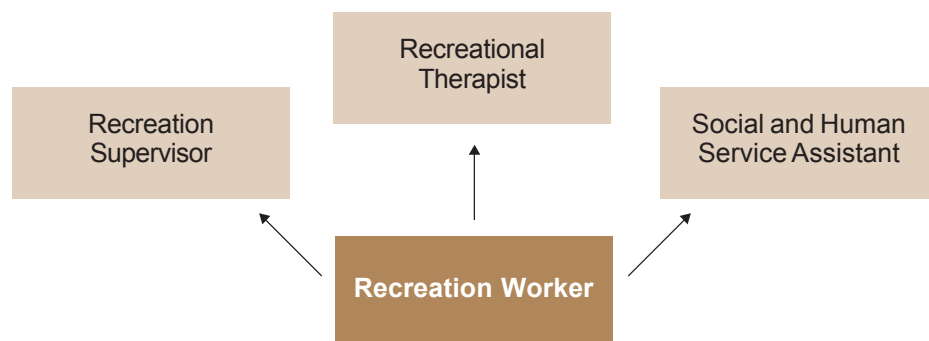
▲ Estimated number of Recreation Workers in 2004:	42,900
▲ Estimated number of Recreation Workers in 2014:	50,600
▲ Estimated annual job openings:	1,760

Source: Occupational Projections, EDD/LMID.

Sources of Information

- ▲ American Therapeutic Recreation Association
(703) 683-9420
www.atra-tr.org
- ▲ California Occupational Guide, No. 357
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Possible Career Paths



The skills, knowledge, and abilities acquired for the primary occupation provide a solid foundation for further growth in health career occupations. Additional education or training is often required.